PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

September 6, 2007

Applicant(s): Ian Richard WEBB et al.

Title: PIPE COUPLING COMPRISING A DIVIDED SLEEVE

Serial No.: 10/517 735

Group: 3679

Confirmation No.: 5929

Filed: August 8, 2005

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Atty. Docket No.: 3700.P0388US

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- [X] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- [X] The additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- [X] Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by two month(s). The extension fee is: \$225.00.
- [X] A Check for \$250.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- [X] Please credit any overpayment, or charge any additional filing fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 1.17 by this communication, to Deposit Account No. 06-1382. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

(Please see following pages.)

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